HOUSE BILL 3441

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-116; Section 2-2-126(a); Section 2-2-137; Section 2-2-138(d)(2); Section 2-3-105; Section 2-4-109; Section 2-5-220; Section 2-5-221; Section 2-6-201(3)(A); Section 2-6-302(b); Section 2-6-501; Section 2-7-112(a)(3)(B)(i); Section 2-7-133(i); Section 2-8-113(c); Section 2-9-106 and Section 2-2-109(b), relative to elections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-109(b), is amended by deleting the word "Sunday" and substituting instead the language "Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-116, is amended by deleting subsections (a), (b) and (d) and by redesignating the remaining subsection accordingly.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-126(a), is amended by deleting the second and third sentences in their entirety.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-137(a), is amended by deleting the second and third sentences in their entirety and by substituting the following language:

If the election commission exercises its option to scan or microfilm the original permanent record, the filmed or scanned record shall be the legal document of registration. If the election commission microfilms or scans the registration document, the original hard copy shall be retained, but may be retained at any location designated by the election commission.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-137, is amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and redesignating the remaining subsection accordingly.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-2-138(d)(2), is amended by deleting the words "Class C misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00)"

and substituting the language "Class B misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500)."

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-105, is amended by adding the following before the word "voter" in the second sentence:

"active"

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-4-109, is amended by deleting the words "fifteen dollars (\$15.00)" and by substituting instead the following language "fifty dollars (\$50.00)".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-220, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-221, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety.

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-201(3)(A), is amended by deleting the words "not less than five (5) days" and substituting instead the language "not less than seven (7) days".

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-302(b), is amended by deleting the words "and provisional".

SECTION 13. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-6-501, is amended by deleting the word "red" in the first sentence and by deleting the fourth sentence in its entirety.

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-112(a)(3)(B)(i), is amended by deleting the words "absentee and" in the third sentence.

SECTION 15. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-133(i), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

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A write-in candidate may withdraw such notice by filing a letter of withdrawal in the same manner as the original notice was filed no later than the fifth day before the election.

SECTION 16. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-8-113(c), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

A write-in candidate may withdraw such notice by filing a letter of withdrawal in the same manner as the original notice was filed no later than the fifth day before the election.

SECTION 17. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-9-106, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

The election commission shall ensure that the voting machines are delivered to the polling places in a timely manner and are set up in the proper manner for use at the election.

SECTION 18. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.

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